

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.
P-5437

In Re Application Of: Valerie Bush, et al.

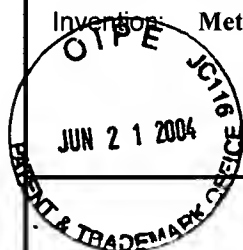
Serial No.
09/996,801

Filing Date
November 30, 2001

Examiner
X. Sun

Group Art Unit
2863

~~Invention~~ **Method and System for Predicting Initial Analyte Values in Stored Samples**



TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of December 18, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: **March 18, 2004** until: **June 18, 2004**
Date Date

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

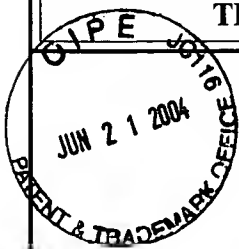
CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	18 -	20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$950.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$950.00

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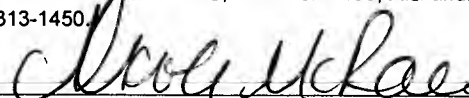
- ☐ A check in the amount of **\$950.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. **02-1666** in the amount of **\$950.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.


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Dated: **June 17, 2004**

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